

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT**

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It is respectfully requested that each of the references shown on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of the references are enclosed

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Respectfully submitted,

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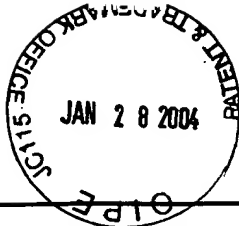
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